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Rep. Duchow Strongly Opposes Ethan Allen Sex Offender Proposal

Madison, WI – Representative Cindi Duchow (R-Town of Delafield) issued the following statement regarding Milwaukee Alderman Tony Zielinski's proposal to relocate sex offenders to the former Ethan Allen School for Boys in Delafield:

Out of all the places to house sex offenders, the former Ethan Allen School would be one of the least safe and unsuitable sites possible for the relocation of these individuals. The site is neither "remote," nor "away from neighborhoods...potential victims, and...playgrounds and schools," as Alderman Zielinski mistakenly claims.

For instance, the former Ethan Allen School is next to Kettle Moraine High School and Wales Elementary which, needless to say, are full of vulnerable potential victims. In addition to the schools, this proposed sex offender housing is in the middle of two populous subdivisions and a short distance from the frequently visited Lapham Peak State Park, which has many isolated hiking trails and other susceptible secluded areas.

Suffice it to say, this is a bad idea for the residents of this area, as well as anyone concerned with the best interests of public safety. I also find it troubling that no local or state legislator from the area was consulted before such an idea was proposed and made public. I would have spelled out all the problems from the beginning and saved Alderman Zielinski the trouble of further pursuing this idea.

*Please see the map below for the precise location of the proposed site.

Rep. Duchow represents the 99th Assembly District, which includes the communities of Chenequa, Delafield, Dousman, Hartland, Merton, Nashotah, Oconomowoc Lake, Ottawa, and Wales; and portions of Genesee, North Prairie, Oconomowoc, and Summit.

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*The red marker is the site of the former Ethan Allen School for Boys

